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SUBJECT: COUNTRY CLEARANCE FOR ROSSITZA B. PETROV AND ERIC DE NIJS

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¶1. Embassy Ljubljana welcomes the visit of and grants Country Clearance to Rossitza B. Petrov and Eric de Nijs, to visit Ljubljana, Slovenia, November 06 to 11, 2005, to participate in ICP Instructor Training Workshop.

¶2. The Control Officer for your visit is Colleen Hyland, Office phone: 386-1-200-5708, fax: 386-1-200-5555, Cell phone: 386-70-323-664.

¶3. A reservation has been made for you at the Grand Hotel Union, Miklosiceva street 1, tel: 386-1-308-1270; FAX: 386-1-308-1015. The cost of a single room is EUR 90, which is below per diem. Please inform Post of any changes in order to avoid a no-show bill.

¶4. The overall security threat level for U.S. personnel and interests in Ljubljana, Slovenia is considered to be low. Slovenia has a low crime rate and violent crime is extremely rare. Nonetheless, visitors should take normal security precautions and are requested to report any suspected surveillance of themselves or U.S. facilities to the Mission Security Office. Visitors should avoid carrying large amounts of cash and jewelry on their person and are urged to use safe deposit boxes available in hotel. While very uncommon, there have been some incidents of purse snatching or pickpockets, usually at night outside of bars. The threat from intelligence services remains viable, and official visitors should take appropriate measures to protect classified or sensitive conversations and documents. Conversations on non-secure lines and cell phones should be considered subject to compromise.

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